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PATENT APPLICATION

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In re U.S. Application)

Applicants: Kobayashi et al.)

Serial No.: 09/889,872)

Conf. No.: 3400)

Filed: November 6, 1998)

For: STORAGE MEDIUM AND...)

Art Unit: 2132)

Examiner: Meislahn, Douglas J.)

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Total Claims	<u>18</u>	<u>20</u>	<u>0</u>	x \$18.00	= \$ <u>-0-</u>
Independent Claims	<u>4</u>	<u>5</u>	<u>0</u>	x \$84.00	= \$ <u>-0-</u>
Fee for Multiple Dependent Claims				\$280.00	= \$ <u>-0-</u>
Total Additional Fee					\$ <u>-0-</u>
Small Entity Fee (reduced by half)					\$ <u>-0-</u>

(X) Amendment E.

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() Letter to Draftsperson, with _____ sheets of marked-up drawings.

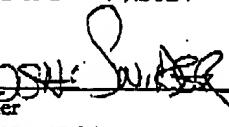
() Charge \$ _____ to Deposit Account No. 07-2069.

(X) If a Petition under 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a) for an extension of time for response is required to make the attached response timely and does not separately accompany this transmittal, Applicant(s) hereby petition(s) under 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a) for an extension of time for response in the above-identified application for the period required to make the attached response timely.

(X) The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required to this application under 37 C.F.R. §§1.16-1.17, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 07-2069. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.

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Please call Joshua Snider or me with any questions or concerns.

Thank you,
Mike Bergnach

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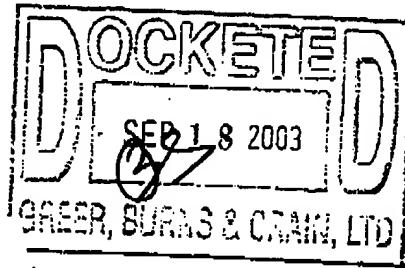
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